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## BURSENKNECHTLIED.

THE following 'lied' is taken from a manuscript of the fifteenth century of the library of Maihingen in Bavaria. The volume, in which it is contained, is catalogued as II, I, 4°, 59 (i).

Bursenknecht ich lobe dich  
 Wan du kanst hofieren hofenlich  
 du alter griss ich wil din nicht  
 du alter gure<sup>1</sup> ain acker-knore<sup>2</sup>  
 Ach lieber schriber troste mich  
 annime libe dez bit ich dich  
 Wan min man der alte griss  
 Kan mich nicht trosten hoffenlich.

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<sup>1</sup> gure-Murrkopf, grumbler; undoubtedly connected with mhg. gurren, i. e. to utter the sound 'gur.' In some Bavarian districts a grumbler is still called 'gurrer.' A passionate gambler in Nueremberg is called a 'Spilgurr.' Cp. H. Sachs; 'Dann so ich war ein Trunckenbolz, ein Spilgurr oder Lotter gar.' See *Bayerisches Wörterbuch* (Schmeller) I. 933.

<sup>2</sup> acker-knore—probably meaning 'Bauern-lümmel.' In the district of 'Franken' in Bavaria a rude fellow is frequently called 'Knorr.'